

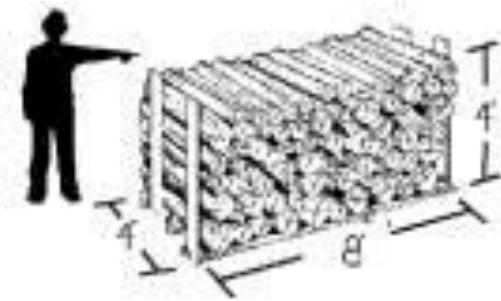
# 2017 PERSONAL FREE USE FUELWOOD CUTTING REGULATIONS

## NORTH KAIBAB RANGER DISTRICT

The **Travel Management Plan** has been implemented for the North Kaibab. The provided **Motor User Vehicle Map (MVUM)** will display the signed and numbered roads on the district which can be driven with motorized vehicles.

This Free Use Permit is good ONLY for removing fuelwood along Forest Roads 246, 264 and 461 from specific already mechanically recently cut ponderosa pine that has been horizontally stacked and located within the blue shaded areas on the 2017 free use permit map. All piles have been located within 100 feet of these roads.

HOW TO MEASURE A CORD OF WOOD? The amount of wood removed is measured in Cords. A standard Cord is 4x4x8 feet. **A standard size pickup truck bed filled just above the top (if no side racks) is approximately ½ cord.**



WHAT LENGTH MUST THE WOOD BE CUT TO? **All Fuelwood must be cut into lengths of 4 feet or less** before loading it into your vehicle/trailer. If you want post and poles longer than 4 feet from these piles, please obtain a different paid personal use dead down post and pole permit at the Fredonia District office located at 430 S. Main Street in Fredonia.

**PLEASE TOSS UNUSED CUT LIMBS BACK IN THE PILE OR LOP AND SCATTER UNUSED FUELWOOD SLASH TO WITHIN 2 FEET OF GROUND, SINCE LATER ON FOREST SERVICE FIRE CREWS WILL RX BURN THE PILE AND SLASH REMNANTS WITHIN THESE FUEL BREAKS WHEN SAFE TO DO SO ONCE FUELS HAVE CURED.**

**NO FREE USE COLLECTIONS ALLOWED IF:** unforeseen restrictions occur during the May 1-November 30 collection season due to environmental conditions such as, but not limited to: **high fire danger; planned or unplanned fire ignitions; wet/muddy thawed ground conditions.** Please check with the North Kaibab District Office for current restriction information at **928-643-7395**.

**DON 'T DRIVE OFF ANY ROAD WHEN TRAVEL WILL DAMAGE SOILS,** particularly when ground conditions are thawed, wet or muddy).

**DO NOT USE HEAVY EQUIPMENT OFF-ROAD TO SKID OR LOAD WOOD.** The use of Heavy Equipment (Tractors, skidders, forklifts, or track driven machinery) is NOT ALLOWED for gathering or loading wood off-road with this permit.



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### What Fire Precautions Must I Take?

- Power saws must have a muffler in good condition and be equipped with a stainless steel screen (spark arrestor) with a maximum gap/opening of 0.23 inches. Keep your shovel and fire extinguisher available at all times.
- Never set a hot powersaw on dry flammable materials. Place it on bare ground, a rock or a tree stump.
- Prior to starting saw, move it at least 10 feet away from where it was fueled and away from gasoline vapors.
- Remain in the area at least 30 minutes after you have completed cutting, to insure that a stray spark from your saw has not started a fire.
- If you start a warming and/or cooking fire, please extinguish it completely with water before you leave.

**What if I Encounter a California Condor while Gathering Free Use Wood?** Permittees are required to protect condors by ensuring no garbage, toxic materials or open fluid containers are accessible in the open. If condors are seen, please do not interact with them; and you are asked to contact the North Kaibab Ranger District at (928) 643-7395 to let the District Biologist know when and where the condors were sighted.

**How Do I Document Free Use Fuelwood Removal?** Firewood cutters must **physically attach a Load Tag to each ¼ cord or portion of firewood in a location visible from the rear of the vehicle before moving the vehicle from the firewood collection site.**

1. There are four tags for each cord of wood issued on the permit. Each tag equals ¼ cord or less and is numbered and corresponds with a load ticket number on the permit.
2. Before leaving the harvest site, a tag for each ¼ cord or smaller portion of wood in the load must be physically attached to a piece of wood in the load (i.e. ¼ cord or less=1 tag, ¼-½ cord=2 tags, ½-¾ cord=3 tags, etc.). Use a nail, staple, tack, screwdriver or other secure attachment device, that will remain attached during transport.
3. Each tag must have the month, day of the week, and A.M./P.M. punched out, with a pen, hole punch, etc., prior to attaching it to the load.
4. Permittees must also **fill out the Product Quantity Removal Record in INK on the permit prior to leaving** the harvest area. The quantity in this record must correspond with the number of tags used.

**Questions?** Please contact the District office by phone at **928-643-7395** or visit us at 430 S. Main Street in Fredonia, Arizona (open 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Mon.-Fri.). As available, updates and regulations can be found at our Kaibab National Forest website found at: <http://tinyurl.com/KaibabNFProducts>



**PLEASE HELP PROTECT OUR RESOURCES!**

**BE SAFE AND ENJOY YOUR FUELWOOD GATHERING EXPERIENCE!**

**PACK IT IN PACK IT OUT**

**Help Keep our Forest Beautiful - Please remove all trash!**